

APPENDIX A

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

KODAS et al.

Serial No.: 09/991,270

Filed: November 9, 2001

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Atty. File No.: 41890-00960

For: "NICKEL POWDERS, METHODS
FOR PRODUCING POWDERS AND
DEVICES FABRICATED FROM
SAME"

) - Group Art Unit: 1773

) Examiner:

) STATEMENT OF NON-INTEREST

) OF DOE

) (42 U.S.C. 2182)

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
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We, Toivo T. Kodas, a United States citizen residing at 11102 San Rafael Drive NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87122; Mark J. Hampden-Smith, a U.K. citizen residing at 2901 Maximillian NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87131; James Caruso, a United States citizen residing at 7721 Cedar Canyon Court NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87122; Quint H. Powell, a United States citizen residing at 14336 Grand Avenue NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87123; Clive D. Chandler, an Australian citizen residing at 2933 NE 14th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97212; and Daniel J. Skamser, a United States citizen residing at 303 Snap Creek Court, Simpsonville, SC 29681, declare:

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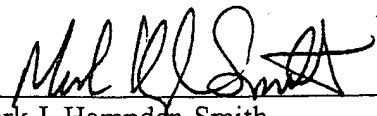
That the invention is related to work that we are employed to perform and was made within the scope of our employment duties;

That the invention was made during working hours and with the use of facilities, equipment, materials, information and services of said Nanochem Research, Inc.;

That to the best of our knowledge and belief, the invention was not made, conceived or first actually reduced to practice under, nor is there any relationship of the invention to the performance of any work under any contract of the Department of Energy.

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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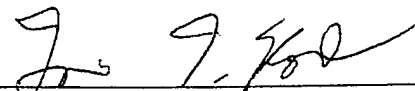
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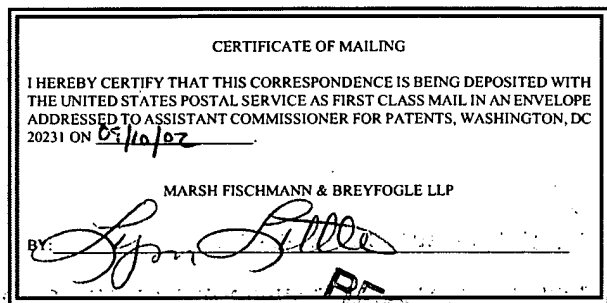
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